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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Application of  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON  
COMPANY (U338E) for a Certificate  
of Public Convenience and Necessity  
for the Alberhill System Project.

Application 09-09-022

**ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE**

**Summary**

Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5, as written at the time that this application was filed, provided that ratesetting proceedings shall be resolved within 18 months of the date the scoping memo is issued, unless the scoping memo sets a later date.<sup>1</sup> The Commission may also, upon making a written determination that the deadline cannot be met, including findings as to the reason, issue an order extending the deadline.

In this case, the scoping memo issued on June 19, 2017, which established a statutory deadline of December 19, 2018, by which to resolve the matter. Within this deadline, the Commission prepared an Environmental Impact Report, conducted evidentiary hearing, took briefing and oral argument on the matter, and issued Decision (D.) 18-08-026 on August 23, 2018, taking no action on the

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<sup>1</sup> The statute was amended in 2016 by Senate Bill 215, effective January 1, 2017, to provide for the deadline to run from the date that the proceeding is initiated.

application at that time (Ordering Paragraph 3) and directing Southern California Edison Company (SCE) to supplement the record with additional analyses of alternatives which may serve the needs of the Valley South system (Ordering Paragraph 4.)

As the December 19, 2018, deadline approached, SCE had not yet provided a supplement to the record. The Commission issued D.18-12-026 extending the deadline to December 19, 2019, to accommodate review, adjudication and resolution of SCE's application based on such supplement.

As of this date, SCE has still not provided a supplement to the record. Again, we anticipate that when it does, parties will require the opportunity to respond to SCE's showing; this may require additional evidentiary hearing and briefing. Time is also required to allow the Commission to comply with the requirements of Pub. Util. Code Section 311(d) regarding public review and comment on proposed decisions. These actions cannot be completed by the December 19, 2019, deadline.

We estimate that we require an additional 12 months to receive and consider SCE's supplemental showing and to resolve this matter.

### **1. Waiver of Comments on Proposed Decision**

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. We waive the period for public review and comment pursuant to this rule.

## **2. Assignment of Proceeding**

Martha Guzman Aceves is the assigned Commissioner and Hallie Yacknin is the assigned Administrative Law Judge and presiding officer in this proceeding.

## **Finding of Fact**

The Commission requires an additional 12 months beyond the December 19, 2019, statutory deadline to receive and consider SCE's supplemental showing and to resolve this matter.

## **Conclusions of Law**

1. The statutory deadline should be extended by an additional 12 months to December 19, 2020.
2. The comment period on this decision should be waived pursuant to Rule 14.6(c)(4).

### **IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The statutory deadline is extended by an additional 12 months to December 19, 2020.
2. The comment period on this decision is waived pursuant to Rule 14.6(c)(4).

This order is effective today.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, at San Francisco, California.